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1. The Bulgarian Communist Party Politburo is willing to cede the Pirin area to Macedonia as part of the settlement of the Balkan problem. It is, however, asking guarantees of satisfaction for Bulgaria's claims as follows:
 - a. Bulgaria to receive an Aegean outlet with a hinterland to the Greek-Bulgarian frontier.
 - b. Macedonia to receive Salonika.
 - c. Georgi Dimitrov, not Marshal Tito, should head the Balkan Federation.
2. The Bulgarian Communists will probably compromise on the above claims but are now delaying the Balkan Federation discussions and proposing a limited agreement on a customs and currency union and close cooperation in the economic, cultural, military and political spheres.
3. Stella Blagoeva who attended the Inter-Parliamentary Conference in Cairo, is now in Moscow to present the Bulgarian case. Hristo Kalaydjiev and Vladimir Popov, representing the Bulgarian Politburo, are charged with special responsibilities in the Balkan Federation problem. The latter is reported to have attended a secret meeting with Nikolaos Zachariades and other Greek and Albanian Communists at Mount Kajmakchalan.

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